## NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS NOTICE OF HIGHWAY PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

## Thur., March 13, 2014; 4:00 – 6:00 PM

Information Open House Public Meeting American Legion Annex, 905 Commercial Street, Palmer, NE

## **STP-92-5(108) WORMS ROAD EAST; CN 42400**

The Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) will hold a public information open house regarding a proposed improvement of Nebraska Highway 92 (N-92) and Nebraska Spur 61-A (S-61A, known as the Palmer Spur) in Merrick County. The meeting will be held at the American Legion Annex, 905 Commercial St., in Palmer, on Thurs., March 13th, 4:00 – 6:00 P.M.

Identified as *Worms Road to 5 Miles East of Archer Corner*, the proposed project would resurface about 12 miles of N-92, starting at the Worms Road and N-92 junction, to approximately two miles west of the junction of south Nebraska Highway 14 (N-14). The project also includes resurfacing 1.75 miles of S-61A, starting at the S-61A and the N-92 junction, and exending north to the end of the state maintenance.

The purpose of this project is to preserve the N-92 and S-61A transportation asset, improve the reliability of the transportation system and perpetuate the mobility of the traveling public. The need for this project is based on the condition of the roadways and bridges.

The planned construction would consist of milling (a process of grinding of the roadway surface) and resurfacing the existing roadways. Portions of N-92 would be widened to match the existing 28-foot width. Additional project improvements include work on three bridges. The Prairie Slough Bridge, west of Archer Road (also known as County Road 9) would receive extensive deck work. The Prairie Slough Bridge located east of Archer Road would be replaced with a concrete box culvert. The Prairie Creek Bridge, located east of County Road 10, would be replaced entirely.

This project would require the acquisition of additional property rights including new right-of-way (ROW), control of access (CA), and temporary easements (TE) for construction throughout the project area; no relocations are anticipated. Wetland impacts are anticipated and would be mitigated.

Construction could begin as early as fall of 2015 and be complete as early as fall the following year. The proposed project would require detouring N-92 traffic; a designated detour would be provided, utilizing N-14, Nebraska Highway 22 (N-22), and US-281. Details will be available at the public meeting.

This public open house meeting is being held to provide information regarding the project, currently in the design phase, and to receive the public's input. All interested persons are invited to attend and present relevant comments and questions. Design information will be displayed and personnel from NDOR will be present to answer questions and receive comments. The information "open house" format allows the public to come at any time during the advertised hours, gather pertinent information about the project, speak one-on-one with project personnel, and leave as they wish.

NDOR will make every reasonable accommodation to provide an accessible meeting facility for all persons. Appropriate provisions for the hearing and visually challenged or persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) will be made if the Department is notified by March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014. Notification should be submitted to: Greg Weinert. Public Involvement Coordinator, Nebraska Department of Roads, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759; greg.weinert@nebraska.gov; voice telephone (402)479-4871, TDD telephone (402)479-3834, Fax (402)479-3989. Information regarding the proposed project will be made available on the NDOR website at www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/ by clicking on the "Worms Road East" link. For those without internet access, information may be obtained through the contact above or at NDOR Headquarters, 1500 Hwy 2, Lincoln, NE. For further information, contact Wes Wahlgren, NDOR District 4 Engineer, (308)385-6265, wesley.wahlgren@nebraska.gov.

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